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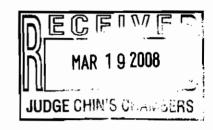
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BY HAND

Honorable Denny Chin United States District Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Room 1020 New York, New York 10007

Re:

cc:

Nat'l Assoc. Of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO et al. v. United States Postal Service et al.,

08 Civ. 00458 (DC)

Dear Judge Chin:

I write respectfully, on behalf of defendants United States Postal Service and United States Postal Service Office of Inspector General, to request a 45-day extension of time, from March 24, 2008 until May 8, 2008, to answer, move or otherwise respond to the complaint. The reason for this request is that defendants are in the process of determining whether to file a motion in lieu of an answer. Plaintiffs' attorneys, respectively, do not oppose this request. This is defendants' first request for an extension of time.

I thank the Court for its consideration of this request.

Application apanted.

Counsel is remoded that

if the Government vistes

to file a motion, it BY:

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premotion conference.

Respectfully submitted.

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